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| I. (a) PLAINTIFFS | | | DEFENDAN | DEFENDANTS | | | |
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| United States of America | | | Robert A. Pfaff et al. | | | | |
| (b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES) | | | County of Residence of First Listed Defendant Polk (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY) NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED. | | | | |
| | | | | | | | (c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number) |
| USDOJ Tax Division, P.O. Box 7238, Washington, DO | | | | | | | |
| | 5863 Michael R. Pa | | | | | | |
| II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only) III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff (For Diversity Cases Only) and One Box for Defendant) | | | | | | | |
| X 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff | 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government) | Not a Party) | Citizen of This State | PTF 1 | DEF X 1 Incorporated or Pri of Business In T | PTF DEF incipal Place 4 | |
| 2 U.S. Government Defendant | 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizensh | ip of Parties in Item III) | Citizen of Another State | 2 | 2 Incorporated and P of Business In A | | |
| | | | Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country | 3 | 3 Foreign Nation | 6 6 | |
| IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only) CONTRACT TORTS | | | FORFEITURF/PENALT | Click here for: Nature of Suit Code Descriptions. ORFEITURE/PENALTY BANKRUPTCY OTHER STATUTES | | | |
| 110 Insurance | PERSONAL INJURY | PERSONAL INJURY | 625 Drug Related Seizure | | 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 | 375 False Claims Act | |
| 120 Marine 130 Miller Act | 310 Airplane 315 Airplane Product | 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability | of Property 21 USC 8 | 881 | 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 | 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a)) | |
| 140 Negotiable Instrument 150 Recovery of Overpayment | Liability 320 Assault, Libel & | 367 Health Care/ Pharmaceutical | | | INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS | 400 State Reapportionment 410 Antitrust | |
| & Enforcement of Judgment | Slander 330 Federal Employers' | Personal Injury Product Liability | | | 820 Copyrights | 430 Banks and Banking 450 Commerce | |
| 152 Recovery of Defaulted | Liability | 368 Asbestos Personal | | | 830 Patent 835 Patent - Abbreviated | 460 Deportation | |
| Student Loans (Excludes Veterans) | 340 Marine 345 Marine Product | Injury Product Liability | | | New Drug Application 840 Trademark | 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations | |
| 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits | Liability 350 Motor Vehicle | PERSONAL PROPERTY 370 Other Fraud | Y LABOR 710 Fair Labor Standards | | 880 Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016 | 480 Consumer Credit (15 USC 1681 or 1692) | |
| 160 Stockholders' Suits | 355 Motor Vehicle | 371 Truth in Lending | Act | L | | 485 Telephone Consumer | |
| 190 Other Contract 195 Contract Product Liability | Product Liability 360 Other Personal | 380 Other Personal Property Damage | 720 Labor/Management Relations | | SOCIAL SECURITY 861 HIA (1395ff) | Protection Act 490 Cable/Sat TV | |
| 196 Franchise | Injury 362 Personal Injury - | 385 Property Damage Product Liability | 740 Railway Labor Act 751 Family and Medical | F | 862 Black Lung (923) 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) | 850 Securities/Commodities/ Exchange | |
| | Medical Malpractice | | Leave Act | | 864 SSID Title XVI | 890 Other Statutory Actions | |
| REAL PROPERTY 210 Land Condemnation | 440 Other Civil Rights | PRISONER PETITIONS Habeas Corpus: | 790 Other Labor Litigatio 791 Employee Retirement | | 865 RSI (405(g)) | 891 Agricultural Acts 893 Environmental Matters | |
| 220 Foreclosure | 441 Voting | 463 Alien Detainee | Income Security Act | | FEDERAL TAX SUITS | 895 Freedom of Information | |
| 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment 240 Torts to Land | 442 Employment 443 Housing/ | 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence | | Ľ | 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) | Act 896 Arbitration | |
| 245 Tort Product Liability 290 All Other Real Property | Accommodations 445 Amer. w/Disabilities - | 530 General 535 Death Penalty | IMMIGRATION | | 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609 | 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of | |
| | Employment | Other: | 462 Naturalization Applic | ation | 20 050 7007 | Agency Decision | |
| | 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other | 540 Mandamus & Other 550 Civil Rights | 465 Other Immigration Actions | | | 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes | |
| | 448 Education | 555 Prison Condition 560 Civil Detainee - | | | | | |
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| VI. CAUSE OF ACTIO | Brief description of ca | iuse: | | | | | |
| VII DEQUECTED IN | | nts to judgment and enforce | | | CHECK MECl | :f 11-1:1-: | |
| VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P. DEMAND \$ CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint: JURY DEMAND: Types No | | | | | | _ | |
| VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY (See instructions): JUDGE DOCKET NUMBER | | | | | | | |
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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- **I.(a) Plaintiffs-Defendants.** Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
- (b) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- II. Jurisdiction. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.Cv.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.

 United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here. United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box. Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

 Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)
- **III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties.** This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- IV. Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If there are multiple nature of suit codes associated with the case, pick the nature of suit code that is most applicable. Click here for: Nature of Suit Code Descriptions.
- V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.
 - Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.

Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date. Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.

Multidistrict Litigation – Transfer. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407.

Multidistrict Litigation – Direct File. (8) Check this box when a multidistrict case is filed in the same district as the Master MDL docket. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NOT AN ORIGIN CODE 7.** Origin Code 7 was used for historical records and is no longer relevant due to changes in statute.

- VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. **Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.** Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553 Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service.
- VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.

 Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction.

 Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.
- VIII. Related Cases. This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related cases, if any. If there are related cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.